

LIFE IN THE METROPOLIS.

DASHES HERE AND THERE BY THE
SUN'S REPORTERS.

At last the English stockholders in the Erie Railway Company have succeeded in reorganizing

the shares of stock long since seized by the Erie Railroad Company, and directed to the uses of said company. The Erie Railroad Company, by its Board of Directors in furthering its schemes for the retention of the supreme control of the Erie Railway. All of the 60,000 shares claimed by Heintz and Raphael were duly registered and transferred to them by the Erie Railroad Company some time before, to-wit: 12,353 shares claimed by Mr. Gould, and 47,647 shares registered to them by the Erie Railroad Company, and the same were claimed by the Farmer's Loan and Trust Company, at the request of Mr. Gould, and then transferred to the attorney of Heintz and Raphael, in the presence of the Commissioner Wilbur, the Master appointed by Judge Blatchford to supervise the transfer; and so on.

Stampede in the Chambers Street Police Station.
Yesterday afternoon officer Kelly found James Brown, colored, sick at Chambers and West streets. The officer took Brown to the Chambers street police station, and down stairs into the sitting room, where some officers were amusing themselves. Police Surgeon Orton pronounced Brown to have strong symptoms of small-pox. When the officer heard this they rushed up stairs, leaving behind their clubs, coats, and hats. Captain Van Dusen wanted to know what it all meant, and, when informed

Trying to Ruin a Rural Applicant for Office
Michael C. Murphy is chief clerk in Station H at the New York Post Office, at which Wm. H. Haggerty is Superintendent. Murphy has long been a rival of Haggerty for the position filled by Haggerty. Haggerty procured Murphy's arrest on a charge of having stolen two letters from the station. Haggerty testified that he saw Murphy take the letters, secrete them in his coat, and pass out

the office with the cap containing the letters on his head. The strange part of the case is that Haggerty tested the cap and was not aware that Murphy some ten minutes after Murphy had put his cap on. He was aware, however, that the cap was not his, and he was sure he went away, and that no effort was made of Haggerty at that time to recover the letters. Murphy proved a most excellent character, and it was shown that the letters in question were not found in his possession directly or indirectly. He made a statement to the effect that he was not at all sure that the charge was made to prevent his succeeding in obtaining the position of Superintendent. This case was heard before Commissioner Smeil, who did not believe that a probable case of guilt had been made out against Murphy, and he was discharged.

Gen. Hillier Convinces Jury.
Mr. John C. Bertholf, a young gentleman of respectable connections, was yesterday honorably acquitted in the United States Circuit Court of charge of opening money letters and embarrassing their contents. Bertholf was a clerk in the Harlem Post Office. The specific charge made against him by Special Post Office Agent Gaylor was that he had stolen a marked \$10 note from a drop letter. It was alleged that the letter was found open after having passed through Bertholf's hands, and that

the note was discovered in a package of money in the trunk of a car that Earl Barthol had owned. The trial occurred two days later. The 35-year-old Hillyer was charged for Barthol, charged that the action was no big out-a-pull-in job of G. Vior's to cover up his failure to detect Norton's \$115,000 defalcation and gain him the credit of being efficient. The general further charged that the \$10 had never been in the decoy office. The jury took 1 1/2 hours to find Hillyer and brought in a verdict of not guilty.

The indictment against Stokes was found by the Grand Jury on her testifying that Mrs. Mansfield had told her that she intended to get all the money she could out of Fisk and then let him go. Mrs. Annie Wood says that Mrs. Mansfield is a cold, calculating, unfeeling woman, who never cared for anyone. Col. Fisk, she says, was a man of the most generous impulses, who always befriended the poor and needy.

Mr. Sheehan specifies one sum of \$30 which he paid in October, 1870. He says that a promissory order was to pay the assessments, signed by Mr. Murray, was posted up in the Custom House. Some twenty or other discharged Custom House officials have expressed a determination to bring similar suits against the ex Collector.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

George H. Fitchett's oyster saloon, 104 Fulton street, Brooklyn. L. \$5,000.

H. I. James's wooden mill in West Whately, Mass. L. \$10,000; insurance, \$10,000.

Two dwellings in Metuchen, N. J., occupied by Mr. Gilbert, Treasurer of the New York Continental Life Insurance Company, and a fire, here were burned on Thursday morning. Loss, \$11,600. The fire was caused by the explosion of a gasoline tank when it

JOINTINGS ABOUT TOWN.

The billiard match between Dion and Gates is played each Tuesday evening, at 315 Broadway.

A Miner Griswold, the "Fat Contributor," is to lecture on Italian Meat at St. Peter's Hall on Tuesday evening next.

The Russian fleet is under orders to move to Panama and be in readiness to receive the Grand Duke as the mission of his coasting ship.

Joseph Fritschler, a carpenter, fell from the Third avenue depot and fractured his skull several ribs in Bellevue in a critical condition.

Oscar Lombardi, an Italian, left yesterday afternoon from the masthead of the pilot boat James Avery No. 2 while off Fire Island. He was an Italian and married.

At the conclusion of the trial of Joseph R. Kuntz, Jr., president of the Westchester Yacht Club, it was resolved that the Kirkwood fund into a monument fund.

Mr. Burns will begin a new course of instruction at the Mercantile Library on Monday evening, Jan. 14, with a free lecture and lesson.

Yesterday Justice McGuire married Alexander Weis and his wife, who are both from Italy. He is Honor also a judge of the New York Supreme Court and they have two other couples on Thursday.

John H. Taylor, who had his foot crushed while carrying up two carvings the New Haven Railroad department yesterday in Bellevue Hospital.

We will thank the police to arrest a fellow calling

Elizabeth, a servant at 121 Carlton street, last evening fell on a stove and was fatally hurt. Mrs. Mary Callahan was crushed on the hands while attempting to rescue her.

This evening, in the Music Hall, the International Workers' Order of America will give a concert. Should the principles of the International Society be encouraged by the American people?

It is tonight the Fifth Avenue District Council of the United League elected Thomas C. Baker for President and Charles H. Lavington for Vice President. The plan of reform were to have a new Council of Secretaries and a new Council of Trustees. The new Councils were made to operate in the year 1918.

A bust of the late Col. Park is about to be brought before the people in place of Paris as that city has

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The Callender case was resumed before Commissioner of the State Banking Department, J. H. Fanning, one of the directors of the Ocean Bank, was called by the prosecution. He testified that Mr. Tweed had named a director of the bank and asked how the name [blank] would be paid. Another not having been named by the New York Filming Company, but it had named a director, and the bank was paid, to pay from first to fifty percent to the stockholders. The former had been paid a large amount.